[Mr. M. N. Nair.]

Cocoanuts,
Copra,
Cocoanut oil, and
Poonac ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : A *statement furnishing the information is placed on the table.

Import of Ceylon copra.

185. *MR. M. N. NAIR (*Kottayam I*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the quantity of Ceylon copra imported into Alleppey, and the dates on which they were imported ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : A †statement furnishing the information for 1107 and 1108 is placed on the table.

Export of cocoanut products.

186. *MR. M. N. NAIR (*Kottayam I*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement of copra and cocoanut oil exported to Bombay, Karachi and Calcutta from the Alleppey Port during the years 1105, 1106, 1107, 1108 and 1109 M. E. so far (13-3-1109) and the quantity of the above commodities exported into those three ports from Ceylon during the above-mentioned periods ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : Particulars asked for are furnished below:—

	Bombay.		Karachi.		Calcutta.	
COPRA.	Cwts.	Lbs.	Cwts.	Lbs.	Cwts.	Lbs.
1105	1,61,467	82½	70,288	28	...	...
1106	1,81,351	70	1,08,773	64¾	..	...
1107	1,29,791	84	59,439	77	188	28
1108	1,78,230	7	71,328	89¼	...	...
1-1-09 to 13-3-1109	45,533	84	16,319	84	...	...
COCOANUT OIL.						
1105	...	...	6,491	70	32,021	70
1106	...	77	...	...	69,886	21
1107	1,559	54¼	2,696	91	713	80½
1108	12,190	96¼	679	31½	6,485	80½
1-1-09 to 13-3-1109	...	...	...	...	528	87½

*Vide Appendix VII.
†*Vide* Appendix VIII.

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No information is available regarding the import of Ceylon copra and cocoanut oil into the Ports of Bombay, Karachi and Calcutta.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : May I know whether the member has tried to ascertain the quantity of copra exported into these ports by Ceylon.

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : The figures could not be obtained within the time allowed for answering the interpellation.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : May I know whether he made any attempt before this interpellation reached his hands?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : No.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : May I know the date on which this interpellation reached his hands?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : 6th November 1933.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : Does the member think that that time is insufficient for ascertaining the information?

MR C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : This interpellation was sent up not for this meeting but for the last meeting and the answer had to be prepared for that meeting.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : May I know from the member when Ceylon copra began to come into Travancore in large quantities?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : In 1108.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : May I know the time that elapsed betweeen the commencement of the import of Ceylon copra and 6th November, the date on which the member received this interpellation.

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : One year.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : Am I to understand therefore that the member has not made any attempt during this time to ascertain the quantity of copra imported from Ceylon?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : I am sorry that the Honourable member did not understand the question of Mr. Kunjukrishna Pillai. What he wanted was the quantity of Ceylon copra imported into the ports of Bombay, Karachi and Calcutta and not to Travancore ports.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : സർ, എനിക്കൊരു പ്വായിൻറ് ആഫ് ആർഡർ ഉണ്ട്. അതായതു, ചോദ്യകർത്താവു സ്റ്റേറുമെൻറ മേശപ്പുറത്തു വയ്ക്കണമെന്നാവശ്യപ്പെടുമ്പോൾ അതിന് ഉത്തരം പ്വറയുന്നതു ശരിയാണോ?

PRESIDENT: The information is being sought not on the array of figures contained in the answer, but it is merely being asked on the last sentence of the reply.

Acting teachers in the Education Department.

187. * MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of teachers in the Education Department who have put in acting service of five years and more ;

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